

*An Account of Sir GEORGE
ROOKE's Arrival in the Chanel,
with the Fleet under his Command*

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THIS Evening came in an Express from Sir George Rooke, Dated on Board His Majesty's Ship the *Queen*, the 22th of this Instant *April*, at Six in the Morning, being then Nine Leagues S.S.E. off the *Lizard*; He left *Cadiz* the 30th of *March*, with about 190 Sail of Men of War and Merchant Ships, which are all safely arrived in the Chanel; and when he writ these Letters he was making the best of his way towards *Spithead*. He had received no account of the French Fleet's having yet passed the Streights.

The Letters from *Plimouth* of the 21. give an Account, That His Majesty's Ship the *Anglesea*, Captain *Callwell* Commander, had brought in a French Privateer of 18 Guns and 120 Men, belonging to *St. Malo*, which he took the 18th Instant about 45 Leagues S.W. from *Scilly*; and that 11 Sail of Merchant Ships passed by *Plimouth* that Morning for the *Downs*, who came from *Kinsale*, under Convoy of the *Weymouth* and the *Ruby*; Four of these Ships belonging to *London*, and being bound home from the *West-Indies*.
